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FRED A. MORRIS IS HONORED AT CONVENTION

Fred A. Morris has been elected grand esteemed leading knight of the Elks Lodge at the national convention at Atlantic City according to a telegram received from Mr. Morris by John Barclay, exalted ruler of the Mexico Club Tuesday. This is the second highest office in the order.

Mr. Morris has been active in the work of the Lodge for years and last year helped found the order of Junior Elks in Mexico. Mr. Morris well deserves the honor which he received and the Ledger joins his many friends in offering sincere congratulations.

A missionary conference of the churches of Audrain County will be held beginning July 17 by the Rev. C. P. Hedges, Missionary from Africa who is home on a leave of absence, and the county officers Monday afternoon and evening a conference will be held at Macedonia; Tuesday evening, Benton City; Wednesday, Ladonia; Thursday evening, Sunrise; Friday afternoon and evening, Vandalia; Sunday morning and afternoon, Liberty; Sunday evening, Salt River and Monday evening at Midway.

It is hoped that these meetings will be very profitable and a cordial invitation is extended to all to attend.

WILL MAKE PLANS FOR AUDRAIN-MONROE BRIDGE OVER LONG BRANCH

The members of the Audrain County Court will meet Monday with the Monroe County Court here and will discuss plans for building a bridge over Long Branch on the Audrain-Monroe line. This structure will be forty-five feet in length. The expense will be equally divided between the two counties.

Two steel and concrete bridges, one near the Dan Scott farm and one near Ed Adell's place were decided upon by the Audrain County Court this week and work will begin immediately.

T. J. (Doc) See has resigned as manager of the Mexico Athletics and A. M. Roberts, who managed the team last year will succeed him for the remainder of the season. Mr. Roberts plans to continue with practically the same lineup and will make arrangements for strong teams from the neighboring towns to play here. Last season, the Athletics won fifteen out of the nineteen games played.

The Athletics will play Columbia Sunday and Warrenton July 16.

Mrs. Gant Paralyzed.

Word has been received here that Mrs. Lydia Gant, formerly of the Thompson and Gant neighborhoods and well known in Mexico suffered a stroke of paralysis at the home of her son, Henry Gant, in Omaha, Neb., last week but is not critically ill. Her many friends and relatives in this section trust that she will soon be better.

The resignation of J. C. Jones as president of the University of Missouri was accepted by the board of curators of the institution at a meeting in St. Louis Thursday. The resignation will be effective at the end of the present school year next April and in this way Dr. Jones will be able to present the university budget to the general assembly at its next session.

Struck by Golf Stick.

Mrs. Leo Countz was knocked unconscious Thursday night at the Country Club, when her son, Lex, accidentally struck her in the temple with a golf stick. She was taken to her home and was unconscious for some time but was much improved Friday morning.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. Kredell will be glad to learn that they have moved back to Mexico, and are now domiciled at the C. L. Hudson home on South Jefferson Street. Mrs. Kredell's mother, from Columbia, is their guest.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lyman, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reed, motored back to their home in Burlington, Iowa, Monday morning. They were accompanied by their grandson and granddaughter, Charles and Hazel Marshall.

At Audrain Hospital.

Mrs. D. C. Lehnen of Wellsville and Miss Martha Reed were discharged Saturday and Ollie F. Abell of Molino was admitted.

W. T. Bate of Moberly spent Tuesday in Mexico.

OFFICERS FOR POLLOCK MILL ARE ELECTED

The stockholders of the Pollock Mill and Elevator Company met Monday evening and elected the following members of the Board of Directors: W. W. Pollock, C. C. Brown, Mrs. W. C. Johnson, C. W. Edmonston, Charles Lewis, Judge Alex Carter and R. M. White.

The Board of Directors later elected officers as follows: President, W. W. Pollock; vice-president, Judge Alex Carter; treasurer, C. C. Brown; secretary, C. W. Edmonston.

Mr. Brown, who was elected a member of the Board of Directors and treasurer of the company, has recently moved to Mexico from Ethlyn, Mo., and purchased a block of stock and will be actively engaged in the work of the concern.

A resolution was adopted concerning the late William Pollock for years president of the organization.

I. O. O. F. OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED HERE THURSDAY

The Mexico I. O. O. F. Lodge installed officers here Thursday night. I. C. Monary, district deputy, Grand Master, of the lodge in the fourth district was present at the ceremony, about eight members of the lodge from Ladonia and Vandalia attended the meeting.

The officers installed were: C. C. Lamme, N. G. H. G. McKinley, V. G. Ben Lagenbach, Sec. W. J. Sanford, financial secretary. S. N. Boatman, treasurer. Loyd Gilpin, C. L. P. Spotswood, Ward. C. Woltz, J. G. C. L. Hill, R. S. N. G. H. L. Miller, L. S. N. G. F. B. Kent, R. S. V. G. V. F. Pearl, L. S. V. G. Charles Murphy, R. S. S. Charley Furnace, L. S. S.

Miss Augusta Virginia Lampton of Wichita, Kas., is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Powell.

The many friends of Mert Johnson will be glad to know he has recovered sufficiently from his recent accident to be out.

W. W. Johnson returned to Mexico Monday after spending the week-end in Fulton.

Mrs. Frank P. Van Ness and daughters and Frank Porawski motored to Fulton Sunday.

Mrs. M. R. Wise is home from Virginia. We are indebted to her for copies of the Culpeper papers.

Britt Steel has returned to school at Chillicothe after a pleasant visit home.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hatcher have returned to their home in Enid, Okla., after a delightful visit here.

Mrs. Curtis Cauthorn and son, of Kansas City, are the guests of Mexico relatives.

Carl Jesse lost his motor car Sunday when it burned up. It was insured.

Miss Marjorie Barnes has gone to Colorado Springs to visit A. P. Green and family.

Mrs. S. P. Carter departed Tuesday day for Los Angeles where she will spend two months.

Irvin Franklin and bride of Frost, Tex., are the guests of Mrs. H. L. Franklin.

A. C. Johnson of Vandalia came to Mexico Monday.

H. P. French of Martinsburg was a Mexico visitor Monday.

Alvin Dallmeyer is home from a brief visit in Jefferson City.

Miss Lattie Vaughn, of Minnesota, is the guest of Mrs. Abbie Snoddy.

Missouri has 1,583,000 sheep, including lambs. Ewes constitute 50% of the herds.

Was a Good Prophet

It looks very much as if our informant who predicted a good crop of corn following a dry June was right.

Of course we haven't the crop, yet but the rains are making it exceedingly promising.

Now if the strike could be satisfactorily settled and business allowed to return to normal things would be for everyone.

Here's hoping.

L. Tuttle White

HARDING ISSUES WARNING IN THE RAIL STRIKE

In parts of Audrain county where there are no storage facilities for wheat the farmers are feeling the effect of the strike. The railroads are refusing to accept shipments of grain and as a result threshing has had to stop. This is particularly true in the east end where the small elevators are already full of grain.

President Harding has issued a proclamation to the effect that all persons must refrain from interfering with interstate transportation and the carrying of the U. S. mails. He asks the aid of all constituted law and all good citizens to this end.

The President took the position that men willing to maintain the operation of railroad trains in order to transport mail have the "same indisputable right to work that others have to decline to work."

Reports from Bloomington state that the C. and A. Brotherhood members refuse to enter the guarded yards except with mail.

Reports from Washington are to the effect that Chairman Hooper of the Labor Board talked to the strikers representatives Wednesday morning Wednesday morning and met the railroad executives later in the day. A feeling of optimism regarding the present crisis is noticeable since the conference though nothing has been made public.

The Wabash has annulled fifty of its trains because of the coal shortage which includes the early morning accommodation east and the noon accommodation west through Mexico. This is due to the coal miners strike. The railroad strike situation continues to become more critical all the time. State troops have been sent to New Franklin, Mo., to guard the M. K. & T., property following threats by strikers.

Sunrise School District.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Laws of Hutchinson, Kansas, are visiting at the home of Albert Williams.

R. S. Douglass and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Ford, of south of Mexico.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Luther Neal as not so well the last few days.

Miss Lon Douglass is visiting Mrs. C. C. Douglass and family.

John Ervin and family ate Sunday dinner with Lake Simpson and family.

Geo. Johnson of Auxvasse is visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. S. Douglass.

A Rid-Up-of-Reed Club, an organization started by St. Louis women to fight the nomination of Senator James A. Reed on the Democratic ticket, will have a branch organization here. Mexico and Audrain women are already busily engaged in preparing the preliminaries for this body.

The purpose of the organization and its platform was recently explained in a Ledger editorial. The organization is having branches formed among the women all over the state. It has an active campaign program designed to interest women voters in behalf of the campaign to defeat and already reports show the body to be making effective headway wherever started.

Miss Julia Sullivan of Fort Worth, Texas and Miss Grace Sullivan of Anamosa, Iowa, are guests of their sister, Mrs. Robt. Hays.

Mrs. W. H. Johnson who has been visiting in Columbia for a few days, returned to Mexico Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert Miller returned to her home in Mexico Wednesday after visiting relatives in Fulton.

Mrs. Mabel Patton of Parsons, Kas., is the guest of Mrs. E. P. Paige.

Ed Keith is spending his vacation in Excelsior Springs.

WEDDINGS

The marriage of Miss Marjorie Wyatt to Theron Vincent, both of Mexico, took place at 8 o'clock Friday evening at the home of the bride's father, Walter Wyatt on West Mansfield Street, Arlie L. Hunt, pastor of the Holiness church officiating. Only relatives and a few friends were present. Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Wyatt were the only attendants.

The bride is employed at the International Shoe factory and is a most capable and bright young woman. Mr. Vincent has been employed for some time at the A. P. Green Fire Brick Company and is an energetic young man with a number of friends.

They will continue to make their home in Mexico.

The Ledger extends congratulations and sincere best wishes for much happiness.

The marriage of Miss Ella B. McCune, formerly of Mexico, to Douglas Lee took place at high noon last Saturday at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Jack Zollinger in Brooklyn, N. Y.

The bride is the daughter of Tom McCune and was born and reared in Mexico and lived here until about three years ago. She is a charming and capable young woman and has a large number of friends here.

Mr. Lee is engaged in business in New York and is a promising young man.

The young couple will make their home in Newark, N. J.

The Ledger joins the many Mexico friends of Mrs. Lee in extending sincere congratulations and best wishes.

The many friends of Miss Frances Bodkin and Leland Bred will be surprised to learn of their marriage at 8:30 Saturday evening. The bride, who is a charming young woman is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Ed Bodkin of Mexico and Mr. Bred is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bred.

The wedding, which was small owing to the recent illness of the bridegroom, who has just been discharged from the hospital, took place at the home of the officiating minister, the Rev. W. C. Cowart. The only attendants were Miss Thelma Bodkin, sister of the bride, Fernie Kettley and Earl Precht.

Immediately following the ceremony the young people went to the home of the bride's parents where delicious refreshments were served to relatives and friends, after which the young couple left on the 11 o'clock train for Chicago and the lakes. Upon their return to Mexico they will make their home with the bride's parents.

Mrs. Bred was born and reared in Mexico and attended school at McMillan High School for several years. For some time she has been employed at the office of the Southwestern Bell Telephone office and is the seventh of the eighteen girls employed there to be married since Christmas. She is a most attractive and capable young woman and has a large number of friends in Mexico.

Mr. Bred is an energetic and promising young man and has been employed at the local post office for some time.

The Ledger extends hearty congratulations to this fine young couple.

The Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Emerson and children went to Holiday, Mo., Monday and spent the Fourth with Mr. Emerson's brother, the Rev. F. A. Emerson.

NEW ROADS TO BE DIRECT ACROSS STATE

The primary road system of fifteen hundred miles, to be laid out shortly by the Missouri highway commission, will follow direct lines between the principal population centers of the state.

In explaining the work that has been done in preparation for mapping the higher type road system, R. J. Windrow, personal representative of Theodore Gary, chairman of the commission, indicated that the shortest routes would be followed. That would result in passing by the small towns and villages not on the direct routes. The smaller towns will be compelled to build connecting links.

Should the commission attempt to connect every small town on routes between the larger cities, the primary road system would wind about, and the limited road mileage provided in the state roads law would be exhausted in building merely local roads, Mr. Gary pointed out. The intent of the law was to serve the smaller towns with the seventy-five hundred miles of secondary roads.

Mr. Windrow admitted there might be much complaint from the small towns which are not on the direct routes of the primary system.

Mr. Gary's engineering expert and B. H. Piepmeyer, state highway engineer, will have ready all data within the next two weeks, Mr. Windrow said. A special meeting of the commission then will be called.

Mr. Windrow said there would be one primary road between Kansas City and St. Louis, but indicated the limited mileage at present would not permit more than one road. He said that generally the primary roads would follow the routes of the secondary system of seventy-five hundred miles between the larger towns, except where shorter and better routes were desired. The engineering expert was emphatic in stating that construction work on the new state highway system would begin this year.

Before the primary road system finally is established public hearings are planned.

Spent the Fourth Here.

The following persons came with well-filled baskets and spent the Fourth with H. R. Farrell and family: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Farrell of Madison, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Osborne, Enid, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Crimmon and son of Rush Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Considine of Thompson, Mrs. Frank Wales and children of Rush Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Furnish and son, Mrs. Slice Riley and daughter, Mrs. Ida Wales, Mr. and Mrs. William Muer, Mrs. Zada Mundy and children of Mexico.

Theodore Williams received his commission as State Fair Commissioner of Audrain County Tuesday. The work of the commissioner is to boost the fair in his particular county and have charge of part of the publicity work for it. Mr. Williams held this position last year and his work was highly complimented.

To Spend Summer in North.

Mrs. W. C. Johnson, Mrs. C. R. Anderson, Miss Julia Ross, Mrs. J. G. Trimble of Kansas City and Mrs. Trimble's mother, Mrs. Buckner, will spend the rest of the summer at Bay View, Mich. Mrs. Emma Ross will go to Maryland while her daughter is in the North.

STATE ROAD MAP WILL BE PUBLISHED THURSDAY MORNING

The announcement of Primary roads in Missouri will be made Thursday. The State Highway commission chose the routes at a meeting Tuesday night but there will be nothing made public regarding these decisions until Thursday.

Minors Get Marriage License.

A marriage license was issued at the office of the county recorder here Thursday morning to Robert P. Riley of St. Louis and Miss May Lovell of Vandalia. Both young people are minors and their mothers accompanied them and gave their consent.

Inspect Bridges.

The members of the Audrain County Court spent Thursday inspecting the bridges in the northeastern and eastern part of the county.

Mrs. Claud Powell and small sons, Thomas Frank and William Walter, returned home Tuesday after visiting Mrs. Powell's mother in Nevada.

C. M. HAY TALKS FOR LONG AT PALMYRA

PALMYRA, Mo., July 10.—Charles M. Hay of St. Louis, dry leader and staunch advocate of the policies of Woodrow Wilson, including the League of Nations, attacked Senator James A. Reed, candidate for United States Senator, as a red-handed traitor to the Democratic party who should be crushed in the primary August 1, in a speech delivered here Saturday.

Fifteen hundred persons heard Hay. He was introduced by H. C. Heather.

No such denunciation of Reed had before been heard in this area of Missouri before. Hay attacked Reed's war record in the Senate as one of obstruction, criticism and opposition.

"James A. Reed," roared Hay, "his hands red with his party's blood, now comes back to Missouri Democracy and shakes his bloody talons at the man who led the party in that stormy year and in derision and defiance says: 'This man whom I beat and bruised was weak: you cannot afford to follow him. If you do so I will weaken him again.'"

"Follow my red flag or be damned."

He praised Breckinridge Long for his services to the government as Third Assistant Secretary of State during the war, declaring that his duties were manifold and his responsibilities great.

"I would rather carry alligator grips for the friends and guests of my country," said Hay, "than by word and act lend aid and comfort to the country's enemies."

This was Hay's reply to Reed's charges that Long's chief duties consisted in carrying alligator grips for foreign diplomats and serving them cocktails at his home in Washington.

Reverting to Reed's charge that the basements of Long's homes are stocked with the choicest of liquor, Hay, who is as dry as a powder house, said:

"Personally I do not know, and so far as this race is concerned, I do not care whether that charge is true or false."

"Whether Breckinridge Long is as wet as a fish or dry as a camel, I am for him."

"If he be wet, he is a wet Democrat, and between a wet Democrat and a wet Republican masquerading as a Democrat I am for the wet Democrat."

Hay then declared that the issue is not whether Long is wet or dry, but whether Reed was faithful or unfaithful to his party.

Mrs. Clara Snidow and Misses Flemma and Fay Snidow, who are on a motor trip in Arkansas, write that they are having a delightful time. Mrs. Snidow will spend sometime visiting her daughter but Misses Flemma and Fay are expected here Monday.

The rainfall here Monday morning amounted to one-third of an inch. The rain began at 3:30 and seven hundredths of an inch fell by seven o'clock. The rain started falling again at about 9 o'clock.

W. H. Key and family have moved to this city to reside. Mr. Key has opened a Simonizing station in the Auto Sales Co., garage. The Ledger joins in welcoming them to Mexico.

Dr. R. S. Williams left Sunday night for Chicago where he will spend a short time and then go to Rochester, Minn. He will be gone several weeks.

Mrs. C. L. Blanks and daughter, Mrs. Ray Miller and baby, of Ponca, City, Okla., are home from a pleasant visit in Pilot Knob, Mo.

Mrs. Norman Boueler and two sons of Tulsa, Okla., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Daniels.

Miss Irene Randall of Omaha, Neb., is the guest of Miss Mary Cordelia Mason.

C. F. Kohl and family are home from a pleasant visit with relatives in Woodson, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Newkirk, who have been motoring in the West are now at Pocatello, Idaho.

Charles Cox of Martinsburg spent Saturday in Mexico.

Wade A. Goodrich of Molino spent Saturday in Mexico.

Thomas Spurling of Thompson was in Mexico Saturday.

REED AGAIN ON DEFENSIVE: NEW ATTACK

SALESBURY, Mo., July 7.—Senator Reed here Wednesday attempted to explain away the charge by John P. Hume, chairman of the Democratic State Committee of Wisconsin, that Reed had campaigned Wisconsin for the Republican ticket in 1920, criticized the Post-Dispatch for the publication of the Hume interview and admitted he had used the words "Long-eared animal" in referring to President Wilson in a speech in Salisbury in 1920.

He said, however, that immediately after using the language he announced that he withdrew it.

Reed admitted campaigning for Thompson, the La Follette Republican anti-League of Nations candidate, when Rensch, the regular Democratic nominee and a strong League of Nations advocate, was his opponent.

The reason he said was that he did not believe the Democratic nominee could be elected and that unless Thompson was elected Lemroot, the regular Republican nominee, would be.

Reed, denying the Democrats had a chance in Wisconsin in 1920 when there were two Republican candidates for Senator, admitted that Wilson carried the State in 1912, when there was a split in the Republican party nationally.

DEATHS

Mrs. Delia Allen, wife of J. H. Allen, formerly of Mexico, died Thursday night at her home in Beatrice, Neb., after a long illness. Both Mrs. Allen and her husband, who is the son of Mrs. Martha Allen of North Coal Street, have a large number of friends in Mexico.

The message telling of Mrs. Allen's death did not give any particulars other than the fact that the funeral would be in Lawrence, Kas., where her relatives are buried.

The Ledger extends deepest sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Ed M. Pilcher, a prominent citizen of St. James, Mo., well known in Mexico, where he lived at one time, died Saturday morning. His sister, Mrs. E. D. Graham, and nephew, E. W. Pilcher, both of this city, attended his funeral Monday.

Mr. Pilcher was 63 years old and with his brother, Joseph Pilcher, now of Wellsboro, was in jewelry business in Vandalia for a number of years. About 18 years ago they dissolved partnership and he went to St. James.

He is survived by a wife and son. He has a host of friends here who will regret to learn of his death and who join the Ledger in extending deepest sympathy to the bereaved.

John T. Brown, 82 years old, former president of the Home Savings Bank of Fulton died at his home in Fulton Saturday evening. Death was partly caused by being overcome by the heat and by general breaking down due to his advanced age. Mr. Brown was born in Pettis County, Missouri and spent most of his young manhood there. He came to Fulton in 1873 and entered the drug business continuing in it until 1890 when he became connected with the Home Savings Bank and was president of that institution until three years ago.

Mr. Brown is a man who occupied a high place in the community and his death will be regretted by a large circle of friends.

Five churches of Mexico will unite in Sunday evening union services on the court house lawn beginning next Sunday and lasting for five weeks. The churches taking part are: Baptist, Methodist, Episcopal, Christian and Presbyterian. One of the pastors from these churches will speak at each of these services and there will be special music by a choir composed of voices from all the churches.

The service will begin at 8 o'clock and will last for exactly one hour. Plenty of seats will be provided and the square will be roped off so that those who desire to do so many come in their cars and enjoy the services.

Miss Anna Hammett and her sister, Miss Edna Hammett, of Hannibal spent the Fourth with Mrs. Ella Hayercraft. Miss Ann left for Ladonia Friday, and Miss Edna returned to her home Wednesday. Both have many friends here, where they formerly lived.